



EQUIPPING THE SAINTS

FALL 2016 DISCIPLESHIP ACADEMY

Most classes run Saturday, 9 AM– 5 PM (with a 30-minute lunch), and Sunday, 3:00 PM -5:30 PM.

Registration is **\$35 without lunch** and **\$45 with lunch** on Saturday. **This academy is open to all.** If you are seeking to receive certification or re-certification credits, you must attend a 10-hour class. Free courses cannot qualify for credit.

Registration is open August 18—October 28!

No walk-in registrations please.

CENTRAL MARYLAND DISTRICT ACADEMY

NOVEMBER 5 & 6, 2016

Baltimore Washington Conference—11711 East Market Place, Fulton, MD 20759

Basic Lay Servant with Rev. Sue Shorb-Sterling: This course is foundational for all courses in Lay Servant Ministries. Participants are encouraged to discover and employ personal spiritual gifts as God intended, and to consider the importance of exercising servant leadership, developing future leaders, remaining rooted in consistent spiritual practices, and being part of a group that holds members accountable in their discipleship.

Accountable Discipleship with Rev. Dr. Samuel Holdbrook-Smith: (Advanced Lay Servant) This course focuses on the concept of the household of God, the importance of scripture as divine revelation, Wesleyan understandings of grace, and the importance of the office of class leader in the development of the Methodist movement. You are encouraged to look at your own faith community and see how it is (or is not) a reflection of genuine Christian community.

From Your Heart to Theirs: Delivering an Effective Sermon with Rev. Phillip Ayers: (Advanced Lay Servant) This course helps participants understand spiritual gifts and how the church can use them to fulfill its mission and ministry. Participants will also learn what it means to be a spiritual leader and will be equipped to lead others in exploring and using their spiritual gifts.

Transforming Evangelism with Rev. Dr. Mary Dennis (Advanced Lay Servant) This course leads participants to learn, from John Wesley, how to practice relational evangelism. They will discover that evangelism involves not only sharing our faith with others, but also welcoming people into a community where they can grow in faith.

FREE CLASSES @ DISCIPLESHIP ACADEMY

These classes will run from 9:30 a.m. – 12 p.m. on Saturday, November 5, 2016. You must register to attend.

- ☆ **Media in Ministry Workshop with Wendy Feaga**
- ☆ **Trustees Training with Rev. Bill Brown**
- ☆ **UM Polity Workshop with Rev. JW Park**

SAVE THE DATE:

Leadership Day—March 11, 2017, Location TBD